

# **Indianapolis Union Railway Company collection L500**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Indianapolis (Ind.). Board of Public Works.
<b>Creator</b>	Indianapolis Union Railway Company.
<b>Title</b>	Indianapolis Union Railway Company collection
<b>Date</b>	1904-1925
<b>Extent</b>	0.3 Cubic feet 1 manuscript box
<b>Language</b>	English

### Preferred Citation

Indianapolis Union Railway Company collection, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library

## Historical Note

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The Union Track Railway was created in 1850. In 1853, the name was changed to the Indianapolis Union Railway Company and a union depot was built for the use of multiple railroads coming into Indianapolis. The incorporation took place in 1872 by an agreement between the Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis Railroad Company; the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railway Company; the Columbus, Chicago and Indiana Central Railway Company; the Pittsburgh Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway Company; the Terre Haute and Indianapolis Railroad Company; and the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad Company.

The Indianapolis Union Railway Company was created to ease and streamline the exchanges of freight and passengers between the railroad companies. The incorporation was officially recognized by the General Assembly on March 2, 1885. The Union Railway provided terminal facilities and switch services for the railroads. During 1888, the union depot was replaced by the Union Station.

In April 1976 the Indianapolis Union Railway's ownership changed. Penn Central, or Conrail, became the new owner.

Source: Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis Union Railway Company Collection Guide: <http://www.indianahistory.org/our-collections/collection-guides/indianapolis-union-railway-company-records-1849.pdf>

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes specifications, blueprints, resolutions and photographs from the Indianapolis Union Railway Company in Indianapolis, Indiana ranging from 1904 to 1925 regarding track elevation construction at the Union Station in downtown Indianapolis and bridge construction at the Kentucky Avenue and Missouri Street intersection as well as Eagle Creek.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged by subject.

## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

### Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

### Conditions Governing Use

Legal title, copyright, and literary rights reside with Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN. All requests to publish or quote from manuscripts must be submitted to Rare Books and Manuscripts.

### Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a records transfer from the Indiana Division during August 2013.

### Accruals

No further additions are expected.

### Processing Information

Collection processing completed 2016/09/15 by Bethany Fiechter. EAD finding aid created 2016/09/15 by Bethany Fiechter.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Archival Material

Materials relating to this collection may be found in the following collections in Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN:

V398: Indianapolis Union Railway Company payroll record books, 1884-1894

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Corporate Name(s)

- Kansas City and Memphis Railway and Bridge Company.
- Pennsylvania Railroad Company.
- Union Station (Indianapolis, Ind.).
- Vandalia Railroad Company.

### Subject(s)

- Bridge construction industry--United States--History
- Concrete sewers
- Railroad locomotives--1910-1920
- Railroad locomotives--1920-1930
- Railroad passenger cars--1910-1930
- Railroad rails--Design and construction
- Railroad rails--United States
- Railroad stations--Design and construction
- Railroad stations--Indiana--History
- Railroad stations--Indiana--Indianapolis

## Collection Inventory

	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Concrete sewer specifications, 1904-1906	1	1
Standard sewer blueprints/drawings, 1909/03/06	1	2
Vandalia Railroad Company, Kentucky Avenue and Missouri Street Bridge summary; Eagle Creek Bridge summary, 1908	1	3
Street Crown table, Catch Basin "B" plan and elevation, circa 1911	1	4
Board of Public Works, City of Indianapolis, Elevated Track No. 7 documents, 1912-1913	1	5
Union Station track elevation photographs, circa 1906-1924 (folder 1 of 2)	1	6
Union Station track elevation photographs, circa 1906-1924 (folder 2 of 2)	1	7
Kansas City Bridge Company "Erecting 120 ft. girders" photographs, undated	1	8
Track Elevation, Belt Railroad, Under Track Elevation, Resolution No. 19 agreements, 1925/08/07, 1925/08/19	1	9
Pennsylvania Railroad Company, City of Indianapolis, Track Elevation Work, Resolution No. 16 agreement, 1925/02/09	1	10

North Western Passenger Terminal, Chicago, Illinois, 42nd Annual Convention booklet, 1910/06/21-1910/06/24; Pennsylvania Lines Standard Requirements booklet, undated	1	11
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